

THE LEGISLATURE SHOWS DISPOSITION TO DO ITS WORK

The session of the Senate yesterday was once more short, sharp, snappy, full of business. The judiciary committee made a report indicating that the Code Commission bill will be passed today, and the first finished piece of work was disposed of in the passage of the Senate Appropriation bill. This bill has been hustled along so fast that the Senate now holds the record of the first bill of the session passed.

The House was slower, more fussy, more oratorical, and the silly spirit found at least one manifestation in Kaniho's objection to an important resolution because it "was written on yellow paper." However, it was Kaniho who made the objection, and Kaniho is a Home Ruler. And so the dominant party in the House cannot be held for this manifestation.

THE LEGISLATURE-THIRD DAY.

THE SENATE.

The session of the Senate yesterday was short, sharp and decisive of a few things. In the beginning, President Jaenbergh discovered that the clock was two minutes slow, which discovery of itself was proof that he was on time. Immediately after the roll call, Secretary Savidge, who has not been in attendance on the sessions heretofore because of sickness, was sworn in, and took his part in the formalities of the opening.

A message was received from the Governor inclosing the Loan Appropriation Bill, which was passed first reading and went to the printing committee. The bill provides for the appropriation of a total of \$1,100,000, apportioned as follows:

GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR ALL ISLANDS.

Government building, Hilo.....\$ 50,000
Government building, Honolulu 200,000
Armory, National Guard..... 50,000
Extension of wharf system..... 300,000
Educational buildings..... 50,000

\$650,000

ISLAND OF HAWAII.

Extension sewer system, Hilo.....\$20,000
Extension belt road system..... 71,000
Pahala to volcano road..... 29,000
Waimea to connect with Kona road..... 12,000
Completion Kahuku lava flow road..... 10,000
Hamakua..... 20,000
Complete 11-13 mile road, Olaa homesteads..... 6,000

\$97,000.00

ISLAND OF MAUI.

Complete Waikuku fire station and jail.....\$ 5,000
Extension of belt road system..... 50,000
Nahiku to Kailua.....\$41,000
Complete Lahaina and Maalaea road..... 15,000

\$61,000.00

ISLAND OF KAUAI.

Extension of belt road system.....\$36,000
Kalihiwai to Molokai.....\$26,000
Kalihiwai to Hanalei..... 10,000
Bridges and culverts, Kolau and Waimea..... 4,500

\$40,500.00

ISLAND OF OAHU.

Honolulu water system.....\$200,000
Extension, sewers and storm drains..... 35,500
New laundries..... 15,000

\$251,500.00

\$1,100,000.00

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Petitions were received asking for a new school house at Honolulu, for the appropriation of \$30,000 for lighting and widening the road around Diamond Head, and from residents of the settlement on Molokai, asking for the issuance of a light wine and beer license.

The Kiloana Art League invited the Senators to call at the league rooms in the Young Hotel yesterday afternoon and look at the lace exhibit, the fruit of an industry the Legislature will be asked to foster.

From the special committee, Paris reported, assigning the Governor's message in sections to appropriate committees. Mr. Paris said that he had interviewed the Governor and found that

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bills covering the points raised by the message would be introduced.

Achil introduced a joint resolution, providing for the appointment of a joint committee of five from each House to consider the county bill, and report in ten days. With an amendment from Paris that each island be represented on the committee, the resolution passed.

Then, on the order of the day, the Senate Appropriation Bill, carrying \$20,000, was taken up and passed without a dissenting vote.

The Code Commission Bill passed second reading, and went to the Judiciary Committee.

Brown introduced a bill, which passed first reading, providing for the erection of a high school building in Hilo.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the afternoon session, after bills one and two had passed second reading, and the Land Sales Bill had gone to the finance committee and the Local Option Bill to the health committee, the following report from the Judiciary committee was read. The bill will be put upon its passage tomorrow.

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THE HOUSE.

The resolution introduced by Representative Harris at yesterday afternoon's session of the House for the placing in the list of appropriations the sum of \$50,000 as a subsidy for a freight and passenger steamer to ply between island ports and the mainland, was the most important matter brought up during the day's sitting.

After a brief discussion the resolution was passed to the Miscellaneous Committee despite the absurd objection of Rep. Kaniho that it was out of order because it was written on yellow paper instead of white.

Rep. Harris also introduced a resolution for the appropriation of \$10,000 for advertising Hawaii's advantages and encouraging immigration.

PAY OF HOUSE OFFICERS.

There was a flurry during the morning session when Rep. Kalepou introduced the following resolution: Resolved, That the salaries of the different officers of this House shall be as follows:

Clerk, \$12.00.
Assistant Clerk, \$8.00.
Interpreter, \$10.00.
Stenographer, \$10.00.
Sergeant-at-arms, \$7.00.
Messenger, \$5.00.
Janitor, \$4.00.
Chaplain, for session, \$250.00.
Rep. Kalepou supported his resolution with a curious speech, in which he based his main argument for the large salaries on the ground that the Representatives' chamber is three times as large as the Senate's chamber.

Rep. Rice objected to the passage of such a bill and Rep. Coelho was also in opposition. Rep. Holstein took a share in the debate along similar lines and moved the resolution along to the committee on expenditures.

His motion carried.
Rep. Holstein presented three petitions. The citizens of Kauai wanted Hawaii divided into two counties and also asked for a \$2,500 school house at Hanalei. North Kohala wanted a \$500 teachers' cottage at Hanalei. An appropriation of \$25,000 was asked for a road from Puakea to Nawaihaekai. The matters were referred to the different committees concerned.

SPOKE BOTH LANGUAGES.

Rep. Coelho presented a resolution to the effect that the President of the Board of Health be required to produce the names of all persons segregated as lepers; their ages, terms of segregation, etc.

He said that he had been informed by Supt. McVeigh that people who had gone over there merely for curiosity had made fun of the lepers and he thought that this should be prohibited. The resolution was adopted.

Rep. Fernandez objected when Coelho spoke first in English and then commenced to repeat in Hawaiian. Coelho insisted on his right to do so and was sustained by the chair.

An appeal from Speaker Knudsen's ruling failed, only Fernandez supporting it.

THE GOVERNOR'S BILL.

Governor Carter's loan appropriation bill was presented by Chief Clerk Buckland and was ordered to the printing committee.

BILLS' FIRST READING.

During the morning session the following bills were presented and passed their first reading and title:

An act to authorize the election of tax assessors and tax collectors. (Rep. Mahelona.)

To amend Act 51 of the Laws of 1896 concerning compensation of assessors. (Rep. Cox.)

To repeal Act 6 of the Laws of 1903 relating to the desertion of married persons from one another. (Rep. Mahikoa.)

To amend Section 1930 of the Civil Laws, to provide for divorce for adultery or for leprosy. (Rep. Mahikoa.)

An act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states relative to insurance policies. (Rep. Lewis.)

To allow divorce when one of the parties is afflicted with leprosy. (Rep. Pulaa.)

To repeal the penal laws relative to shooting on private grounds. (Rep. Pulaa.)

An act to authorize the election of District Magistrates. (Rep. Broad.)

Authorizing and providing for the sale of licenses to sell opium or a preparation thereof, and the issuance or such, defining the duties and powers of the treasurer and police in regard thereto and defining and prohibiting an

opium smokers' den and repealing other laws in conflict therewith. (Rep. Kalepou.)

All went to the Printing Committee. STILL MORE BILLS.

Notice was given of intention to introduce measures for the following purposes:

To regulate observance of Sunday laws. (Rep. Aylett.)

To designate the pay of laborers engaged in constructing or repairing roads, bridges or streets, water works or other works. (Rep. Aylett.)

To declare the effect of an adoption of a child. (Rep. Fernandez.)

To amend Section 5 of Act 32 of the Session Laws of 1903. (Rep. Smith.)

To regulate plumbing, house drainage, and cesspools in Honolulu and to license plumbers. (Rep. Kaniho.)

The Kiloana Art League's invitation to visit the exhibition of the League in its rooms in the Alexander Young Building was accepted.

Rep. Long presented a petition for the improvement of Diamond Head road which was referred to the Public Lands Committee.

The County Bill was raised from the table and sent to the Printing Committee.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

In addition to the resolutions of Rep. Harris, to which reference has already been made, Representative Aylett's bill respecting Sunday observances, notice of which was given in the morning, was also read a first time by title.

Other bills introduced read by title for the first time and passed to the Printing Committee were:

To appropriate \$25,000 for a road from Mahukona to Kawaihae in North and South Kohala. (Rep. Kaniho.)

To prohibit aliens from fishing in the waters of Hawaii. (Rep. Kaniho.)

To establish and maintain school libraries. (Rep. Kaniho.)

To permit the manufacture and sale of spirituous liquors in Hawaii and to repeal all laws to the contrary. (Rep. Kaniho.)

To appropriate \$25,000 for the improvement of the Waimea river. (Rep. Sheldon.)

To appoint Masters in Chancery. (Rep. Broad.)

Representative Mahelona introduced a bill to amend the act for the selection of grand and trial jurors.

HOUSE EXPENSES.

Returning to the order of the day, House Bill No. 5 to appropriate \$20,000 for the expenditures of the House was read the second time. Third reading was ordered for tomorrow.

A communication was received from the clerk of the Senate enclosing concurrent resolution suggesting the appointment of a joint committee of five from each house to examine the report of the County Commission and report thereon.

Representative Coelho moved that one from each representative district be appointed on the joint committee and the suggestion was adopted.

Senate Bill No. 5 for the Senate's expense bill of \$20,000 was read by title for the first time.

The House endorsed the appointment of A. St. C. Pihana as assistant clerk.

THE HOUSE.

FOURTH DAY.

Far and away the most important work done at yesterday morning's meeting of the House of Representatives was the adoption of a suggestion in the report of the Committee on Rules for the formation of a new standing committee to be known as the Reference Committee. Although the session is still young it has proved fecund in the production of bills of all sorts, sizes and shapes, and be it said to the credit of the Legislators, they are with few exceptions earnest in their intent though many are crudely drawn. It necessarily happens that, lacking a cohesive organization, there are ideas duplicated and triplicated in different bills submitted and it would quite obviously be a useless expense to order the printing of bills which contain the matter in common.

THE NEW COMMITTEE.

The report of the Committee on Rules was presented by Chairman Long early yesterday. It recommended that the session rules of 1903 be adopted with these amendments:

That the Committee on Public Health take into consideration all reports on public health referred to them by the House and report thereon.

That the Committee on Public Education take into consideration all educational matters reported from the House and report thereon.

To amend Rule 24 to comply with the foregoing.

To add a rule making a Reference Committee to examine each bill before it is printed.

The report having been adopted Speaker Knudsen announced the following as composing the new committee:

Reps. Smith, 1st District, chairman; Holstein, 2nd; Nakuina, 3rd; Long, 4th; Cox, 5th; Sheldon, 6th, and Andrade, at large.

PRAYERS OR ROLL CALL?

There was a minor squabble at the opening of the House as to whether prayers should be said before roll call or whether the roll should be called before prayers. The matter went to a vote and it was decided by 16 to 13 that prayers came first. Chaplain Desha said prayers and then everything was plain sailing.

Copies of the Revised Laws of Hawaii were brought down by Chief Clerk Buckland from the office of the Secretary and were distributed to the members.

PAYMENT OF OFFICERS.

Chairman Waterhouse presented the report of the Committee on Expenditures. It recommended the following scale for the payment of House employees: Clerk, \$10 per day; Assistant Clerk, \$6 per day; Interpreter, \$10 per day; Stenographer, \$10 per day; Sergeant-at-arms, \$6 per day; Messenger, \$4.50 per day; Janitor, \$3.50 per day; Chaplain, \$250 for the session.

Rep. Lewis, a member of the Committee, did not concur.

The report was not adopted without

a fight Rep. Greenwell leading an opposition to the payment of such large salaries and being backed by Rep. Holstein.

Rep. Kalepou's motion to increase the pay of janitor from \$3.50 to \$4 was accepted and the House passed the report in its amended shape.

A formal report of the work of the Printing Committee was presented by Rep. Greenwell.

THE COST OF GOVERNMENT.

The House Bill for the appropriation of \$30,000 for the expenses of the session passed its third reading without a dissenting voice and the Senate Bill for \$20,000, for the expenses of the upper house went through its first degree without a murmur.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

The petitions presented and sent to the different standing committees concerned were as follows:

From 71 voters of the second representative district:

That the Road Board law be repealed and supervisors be elected instead. That a law be enacted prohibiting heavy cartage on muddy roads.

That poll tax, road tax and school tax be cancelled for citizens of 50 years instead of 60 years.

That the license on light refreshments be reduced from \$200 to \$100 in country districts.

That calls for bids on contracts be published only in the district where the work is contemplated.

That an appropriation be made for printing the proceedings of the legislature each week and furnished to the citizens.

Owing to the diverse nature of the contents of the petition, which was presented by Rep. Pulaa, it was referred to the Miscellaneous Committee.

For appropriation of \$5,000 for a road from the Volcano road in Puna, running northerly between Lots 41, 42, 43 and 44 on one side and Lots 50, 51, 52 and 53 on the other.

For \$3000 for a school at Makapala.

To repeal the leper suspect law.

To repeal the vaccination law.

To allow relations of lepers to visit the Settlement every session. (Rep. Kaniho.)

For \$15,000 for school buildings at Wailua. (Rep. Cox.)

THE REVISED LAWS.

A purely formal bill from the Senate, for the purpose of putting the Revised Laws into effect passed its first reading on title. It is known as Senate Bill No. 16.

A resolution to be submitted to the President and Congress was submitted by Rep. Pulaa. Its object is to allow Hawaiians, other than those who can speak and write English understandingly, to be eligible for jury duty.

It was warmly endorsed by its parent and by Rep. Kaniho but on motion was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The following bills were introduced and passed first reading by title:

For the protection of government employees as voters. (Rep. Kaniho.)

To regulate the employment of labor on public works so that only citizens resident for six months may be employed. (Rep. Kaniho.)

To provide for the election of District Sheriffs. (Rep. Holstein.)

To provide that the minimum rate of pay for laborers on public works be \$1.50 a day. (Rep. Aylett.)

The House adjourned at 12:15 until Monday at 10 a. m.

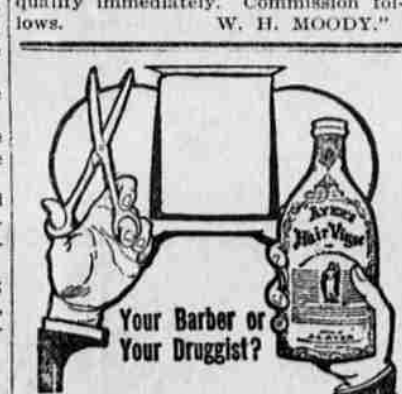
WILDER SWORN IN ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

Arthur A. Wilder took the oath of office as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territory of Hawaii before Chief Justice W. F. Frear yesterday morning.

The ceremony was performed in open court and the Supreme Court, then fully constituted, adjourned its February session until Monday next.

Governor Carter had within an hour previously received the following telegram from the Attorney General of the United States:

"WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Carter, Honolulu. Wilder confirmed. Should qualify immediately. Commission follows. W. H. MOODY."



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OPPOSED PRATT AND FAVORED LOUIS KENAKE

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 6.—The papers in the case of Mr. Joseph G. Pratt, as the proposed nominee for postmaster of Honolulu, have reached the Department. They were forwarded through the inspector's office at San Francisco and are now on file in the office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General. Inspectors Hare and Madden make these reports, which are decidedly in opposition to the appointment of Mr. Pratt. Both inspectors recommend the appointment of Assistant Postmaster L. T. Kenake.

As the reports reach here, one would think the inspectors had consulted solely with men who suffered from the real estate transactions with Charles Desky. That is the burden of the entire report. Six or eight names of Honolulu people are given as having been consulted. Among them are W. Wolters, Cecil Brown, and August E. Dreier. Mr. Brown, who is mentioned as president of the First National Bank and a leading citizen, is quoted as saying that Mr. Pratt is just as deep in the mud as Mr. Desky is in the mire. The inspectors also cite that Mr. Pratt is apparently on just as intimate terms as ever with Mr. Desky. They say his office is in the same building and on the same floor as that of Mr. Desky and so on. The real estate transactions in Hilo as well as Honolulu are mentioned in an effort to indicate that Mr. Pratt should share the odium of those transactions. The inspectors conclude that, after all these matters are considered, "Mr. Pratt is not a safe man to entrust with the responsibilities of the Honolulu postoffice."

Their approval of Assistant Postmaster Kenake is strong. They say he has been the real head of the postoffice for some time, has been courteous and efficient and deserves the promotion. Not a word is said in approval of Prince Kuhio's candidate, Postmaster Oat, except to indicate that his administration of the office is something to be passed over in silence.

What the outcome will be is difficult to say at this time. When I learned the above with reference to the inspectors' report, the papers had not gone to the President. Secretary Atkinson has been to the White House offices regarding the case, but the disposition to await the arrival of the papers prevented the President from giving him any definite answer. It looks as though Kenake's case would be materially strengthened by the inspectors' statements regarding his efficiency. The outcome will rest solely with the President, who may decide the case any day now.

SECRETARY ATKINSON.

Secretary Atkinson has gone to New York for a brief trip, whence he proceeds to the Pacific Coast. He planned, when he left here, to sail on the Korea. There was general regret at his departure. His work has been of a very useful character to the Islands. Men in public life, friendly to Hawaii, generally wished that the Secretary could have remained till the end of the session of Congress.

Mr. Atkinson has secured from Dillon & Hubbard, the New York lawyers, regarded as authorities on bonds, an opinion that the territorial bonds are not taxable. This is regarded as a very valuable opinion, in that it will almost certainly enhance the price of Hawaiian securities. Tax officials in practically every state accept the opinion of this law firm as final. Mr. Atkinson expected to have a copy of the opinion ready for publication, before the mail left. It will undoubtedly be available by the time he reaches Honolulu. He learns that about 600 of the bonds have been sold to investors in the Middle West, chiefly Ohio and Indiana. He also has been conducting negotiations here regarding the Army lot, but had nothing conclusive to say about it up to the time of his departure. He said that the matter of beef sales for the army transports now rests with the Metropolitan Meat Company. If that company can furnish the product at as low a price as can be obtained in San Francisco, the army is ready to buy. Mr. Atkinson had been advised that Mr. Waller was looking after the matter in Hawaii, to see just what quotations on meat were obtainable.

THE ELECTIONS INVESTIGATION.

The Committee on Elections, No. 2, gave a hearing last Wednesday to Secretary Atkinson, Delegate Kalaniana'ole and Mr. McClellan. Their statements were taken down but the stenographer's copy was not typewritten till Saturday and was on the desk of Chairman Olmsted when I called there today. It will be in print in the course of two or three days and then the committee will hold a meeting to determine what shall be done. There is no likelihood the Home Rule protest will be heeded.

Representative Miller, of Kansas, who took a very keen interest in the hearing and who, probably, has informed himself on the subject better than any other member of the Committee, told me this afternoon that he believed nothing would come of the protest. "It really treats of two different subjects," said he. "One is the questions of the ballots used in the November election. Apparently there were marks upon the ballots, as printed, which were not authorized by law, but those marks, or numbers, were on a part of the paper that was easily detachable and which were in reality detached before the ballots were deposited in the boxes. So if those ballots were brought here to Washington for us to inspect, we should find nothing on them of an objectionable character."

"The other question involved is that of sending a commission to the Islands to inquire into the entire voting system, which, it is claimed, is not adapted to conditions out there. Well, I doubt whether we shall take that request very seriously, considering the source from which it comes. If the Hawaiian Delegate should join in such a request, we might be willing to authorize a commission. Of course, I don't presume to say what the Committee will do, but that's the way it looks to me."

Chairman Olmsted said that he was unfamiliar with the opinion of any member of the Committee, except his own, and could not express a view as to the outcome.

RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

The River and Harbor appropriation bill is still in the Committee, although its main items have already been announced in a printed report, made public by Chairman Burton. There is believed to be a fair chance that the bill will become law, but wise men are very chary these days of making predictions as to what is going to happen in executive and legislative circles. Oftentimes an opinion, by one as far away as Honolulu, would be quite as intelligent and reliable as an opinion by one here on the ground. A member of the Committee had this to say about the Honolulu item in the bill:

"The timely work of Secretary McClellan was the means of adding \$150,000 to the amount reported for Honolulu. The Committee had decided to recommend a cash appropriation of \$250,000

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